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17 **FLORIDA** | Board of Clinical Laboratory Personnel

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20 January 15, 2016

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22 Teleconference  
23 Department of Health  
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Carleen P. Van Siclen, MS, MLS (ASCP)  
**Chair**

Linda Valdes, MS, MT (ASCP)  
**Vice-Chair**

Anthony B. Spivey, DBA  
**Executive Director**

1 **General Board Business started: 9:03 a.m.**

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3 **I.** The meeting was called to order by Ms. Van Siclen. Those present for all or part of the meeting included the  
4 following:

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6 **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

7 Carleen Van Siclen, MSHA, MLS (ASCP), Chair  
8 Linda Valdes, MS, MT (ASCP), Vice Chair  
9 Steven Shelfer, MT (ASCP)  
10 Beatriz E. Montoya, MBA, DMD, BSMT, AM  
11 Michele Morgan, D.B.A.

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Anthony B. Spivey, DBA, Executive Director  
Joseph Lesho, Program Operations Administrator  
Savada Knight, Regulatory Supervisor  
Kelly Woodard, Regulatory Specialist II  
Austin Fletcher, Regulatory Specialist II

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13 **BOARD COUNSEL:**

14 Diane Guillemette, Assistant Attorney General  
15 Office of Attorney General

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17 **COURT REPORTER:**

18 For the Record  
19 (850) 222-5491

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21 *Please note the minutes reflect the actual order agenda items were discussed and may differ from the agenda*  
22 *outline. AUDIO from this meeting can be found online: <http://floridasclinicallabs.gov/>*

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24 **General Board Business started at 9:06 a.m.**

25 **Section II started at \_\_\_\_ a.m.**

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27 **II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

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29 **a. November 6, 2015 – Telephone Conference Call**

30 Ms. Van Siclen noted that on line 8 of page 7, the word “academic” should be changed to “applied.”

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32 **Action Taken:** Motion to accept the minutes with the noted correction was made by Ms. Van Siclen. Seconded  
33 by Ms. Valdes.

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35 Vote: 5 yeas / 0 opposed; motion carried

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37 **Section II ended at 9:07 a.m.**

38 **Section III ended at 9:07 a.m.**

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40 **III. PETITIONS:**

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42 **a. Declaratory Statement –**

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44 **i. Jonathan Hoyne –**

45 Mr. Hoyne was present and was not represented by counsel.

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47 Ms. Van Siclen recused herself from the discussion. Ms. Valdes served as chair.

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49 Mr. Hoyne submitted a Petition for Declaratory Statement, which was filed on December 8, 2015. The  
50 petition asked whether or not the training program license held by Mayo Clinic Florida (TP271) is  
51 sufficient for the training of unlicensed personnel performing strictly research duties in the clinical  
52 laboratory. The petition specifically stated that the research personnel will not participate in any testing  
53 involved in current patient care.

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55 **Discussion:**

1 After discussion and further clarification as to the reason for the petition, Ms. Guillemette explained to Mr.  
2 Hoyne that the board cannot answer the question because it would be outside the authority of the board.  
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4 Mr. Hoyne stated that he will withdraw his petition and submit a revised version at a later date.  
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6 **Section III ended 9:15 a.m.**

7 **Section IV started 9:15 a.m.**  
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#### 9 **IV. APPLICANTS PRESENTED FOR BOARD REVIEW**

##### 10 **a. Frederick Arthur Miller – Supervisor**

11 Mr. Miller was present and was not represented by counsel.  
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13 Ms. Van Siclen recused herself from the discussion. Ms. Valdes served as chair.  
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15 Mr. Miller submitted an application for licensure as a Supervisor in the specialty areas of Andrology and  
16 Embryology, which was received by the board office on June 3, 2015. The Credentialing Committee referred  
17 the application to the Full Board of possible unlicensed activity. Mr. Miller submitted additional documentation  
18 explaining his applicant history. The application and supporting documentation were presented to the Full  
19 Board for review and final action.  
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##### 21 **Discussion:**

22 After discussion regarding the possible unlicensed activity, the board was satisfied with the explanation.  
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24 Dr. Morgan stated that she was comfortable with the health history documentation provided by Mr. Miller.  
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26 **Action Taken:** Motion to approve the application for licensure was made by Ms. Valdes. Seconded by Mr.  
27 Shelfer.  
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29 Vote: 4 yeas / 0 opposed; motion carried  
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##### 31 **b. Maria Beede Snetsinger – Supervisor**

32 Ms. Snetsinger was present and was not represented by counsel.  
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34 Ms. Snetsinger submitted an application for licensure as a Supervisor in the Generalist specialty areas, which  
35 was received by the board office on October 12, 2015. The Credentialing Committee referred the application to  
36 the Full Board because Ms. Snetsinger's transcripts indicated an insufficient number of credit hours in  
37 chemistry. The application and supporting documentation were presented to the Full Board for review and final  
38 action.  
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##### 40 **Discussion:**

41 After Ms. Snetsinger described the courses chemistry courses that she took to obtain her degree, Ms. Van Siclen  
42 expressed uncertainty because the course listings in other states differ from those in Florida.  
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44 Dr. Morgan explained that the applicant should be able to obtain documentation from the university which  
45 explains how to evaluate the courses and translate them to a Florida equivalent.  
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47 The board requested that Ms. Snetsinger obtain this information and provide it to the board office for  
48 evaluation. Ms. Snetsinger agreed to do so, and waived the 90-day deemer clause to allow time to obtain such  
49 information.  
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51 **Action Taken:** Motion to approve the application for licensure upon evaluation and approval of additional  
52 documentation was made by Dr. Morgan. Seconded by Mr. Shelfer.  
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54 Vote: 5 yeas / 0 opposed; motion carried  
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##### 56 **c. Georgette Sonette Easter – Technologist**

Ms. Easter was present and was not represented by counsel.

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2 Ms. Easter submitted an application for licensure as a Technologist in the Generalist specialty areas, which was  
3 received by the board office on October 12, 2015. Board staff referred the application to the Full Board due to  
4 issues relating to her disciplinary history. Ms. Easter previously held a license as a Technologist in the State of  
5 Florida, which was disciplined in 2003 for failure to comply with her CE requirements. The application and  
6 supporting documentation were presented to the Full Board for review and final action.  
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8 **Discussion:**

9 Dr. Morgan stated that she was satisfied with the documentation provided by Ms. Easter.

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11 After a brief discussion to clarify Ms. Easter's work history, a motion was made.  
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13 **Action Taken:** Motion to approve the application for licensure was made by Dr. Morgan. Seconded by Dr.  
14 Montoya.

15 Vote: 5 yeas / 0 opposed; motion carried  
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17 **d. Lamarcus Gregory Brown – Technician**

18 Mr. Brown was present and was not represented by counsel.  
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20 Mr. Brown submitted an application for licensure as a Technician in the specialty area of Histology, which was  
21 received by the board office on November 4, 2015. Board staff referred the application to the Full Board  
22 because of Mr. Brown's criminal history. Mr. Brown has submitted additional documentation related to his  
23 criminal history. The application and supporting documentation were presented to the Full Board for review and  
24 final action.  
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26 **Discussion:**

27 Dr. Morgan stated that she was satisfied with the documentation provided by Mr. Brown.  
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29 **Action Taken:** Motion to approve the application for licensure was made by Ms. Van Siclen. Seconded by Mr.  
30 Shelfer.

31 Vote: 5 yeas / 0 opposed; motion carried  
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33 **e. Adele Diane Kendrick – Technician**

34 Ms. Kendrick was present and was not represented by counsel.  
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36 Ms. Kendrick submitted an application for licensure as a Technician in the Generalist specialty areas, which  
37 was received by the board office on September 17, 2015. The Credentialing Committee referred the application  
38 to the Full Board because of uncertainty related to her national certification. The application and supporting  
39 documentation were presented to the Full Board for review and final action.  
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41 **Discussion:**

42 Ms. Kendrick explained that she took the Clinical Laboratory Assistant examination offered by ASCP, which  
43 she stated was equivalent to the current MLT level examination. The board was unfamiliar with the Clinical  
44 Laboratory Assistant examination.  
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46 After discussion regarding her educational and professional background, the board agreed to issue Ms. Kendrick  
47 a temporary license to allow her time to complete the MLT examination since she was qualified for licensure in  
48 all other aspects.  
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50 **Action Taken:** Motion to approve the issuance of a temporary license was made by Dr. Montoya. Seconded by  
51 Mr. Shelfer.

52 Vote: 5 yeas / 0 opposed; motion carried  
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54 **f. Kelly Nicole Hogan – Public Health Technician**

55 Ms. Hogan was present and was not represented by counsel. Marshall Cone, her supervisor, was also present on  
56 her behalf.

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2 Ms. Hogan submitted an application for licensure as a Public Health Technician in the specialty area of  
3 Microbiology, which was received by the board office on October 30, 2015. The Credentialing Committee  
4 referred the application to the Full Board because of issues related to her education history. The application and  
5 supporting documentation were presented to the Full Board for review and final action.  
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7 **Discussion:**

8 Ms. Van Siclen stated that per s. 483.812, F.S., an applicant for the Microbiology specialty must hold a  
9 baccalaureate degree in one of the biological sciences, but Ms. Hogan's degree is in psychology.  
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11 After discussing her background and qualifications, Ms. Hogan informed the board that she expects to graduate  
12 in May 2016 with a Master's in Public Health, which would then qualify her for licensure. The board asked Ms.  
13 Hogan if she would like to withdraw her application for licensure until she has completed her degree program,  
14 which she agreed to do.  
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16 **Action Taken:** Motion to allow withdrawal of the application for licensure was made by Dr. Morgan. Seconded  
17 by Ms. Van Siclen.

18 Vote: 5 yeas / 0 opposed; motion carried  
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20 **The board took a break at 10:10 a.m.**

21 **The board resumed at 10:28 a.m.**  
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23 **g. Karla Joan Velazquez-Robles – Trainee**

24 Ms. Velazquez Robles was present and was not represented by counsel.  
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26 Ms. Velazquez-Robles submitted an application for licensure as a Trainee in the specialty area of Histology,  
27 which was received by the board office on October 5, 2015. Board staff referred the application to the Full  
28 Board because Ms. Velazquez-Robles answered "yes" to certain applicant history questions. The application  
29 and supporting documentation were presented to the Full Board for review and final action.  
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31 **Discussion:**

32 After discussion, Dr. Morgan stated that she was satisfied with the documentation provided by Ms. Velazquez-  
33 Robles.  
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35 **Action Taken:** Motion to approve the application for trainee registration was made by Dr. Morgan. Seconded  
36 by Ms. Valdes.

37 Vote: 5 yeas / 0 opposed; motion carried  
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39 **h. Lawrence Armand Reynolds, Jr. – Trainee**

40 Mr. Reynolds, Jr. was present and was not represented by counsel. Daniel Packer, an adviser of Mr. Reynolds,  
41 Jr.  
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43 Mr. Reynolds, Jr. submitted an application for licensure as a Trainee in the specialty area of Histology, which  
44 was received by the board office on November 19, 2015. Board staff referred the application to the Full Board  
45 because Mr. Reynolds, Jr. answered "yes" to certain applicant history questions. The application and supporting  
46 documentation were presented to the Full Board for review and final action.  
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48 **Discussion:**

49 Dr. Morgan stated that she was satisfied with the documentation provided by Mr. Reynolds, Jr. Ms. Van Siclen  
50 agreed.  
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52 **Action Taken:** Motion to approve the application for trainee registration was made by Ms. Van Siclen.

53 Seconded by Ms. Valdes.

54 Vote: 5 yeas / 0 opposed; motion carried  
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56 **i. Cheska Lee Burlison, Ph.D. – Director**

1 Dr. Burluson was present and was not represented by counsel.  
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3 Dr. Burluson submitted an application for licensure as a Director in the specialty area of Clinical Chemistry,  
4 which was received by the board office on November 25, 2015. The Credentialing Committee referred the  
5 application to the Full Board because of issues related to her education history. Dr. Burluson holds a PhD in  
6 Marine Science. The application and supporting documentation were presented to the Full Board for review and  
7 final action.  
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9 **Discussion:**

10 After discussion regarding Dr. Burluson's educational and training background, it was determined that the PhD  
11 in Marine Science did not qualify Dr. Burluson for licensure.  
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13 **Action Taken:** Motion to deny the application for licensure based on insufficient education was made by Ms.  
14 Valdes. Seconded by Ms. Van Siclen.  
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16 Before a vote was taken, Ms. Van Siclen offered Dr. Burluson the option to withdraw her application for  
17 licensure so that a denial would not show on her licensure history. Dr. Burluson requested to withdraw her  
18 application.  
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20 **Action Taken:** Motion to allow withdrawal of the application for licensure was made by Ms. Van Siclen.  
21 Seconded by Dr. Montoya.

22 Vote: 5 yeas / 0 opposed; motion carried  
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24 **j. Andreas Nji Mbah, Ph.D. – Director**

25 Dr. Mbah was present and was not represented by counsel.  
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27 Dr. Mbah submitted an application for licensure as a Director in the specialty areas of Clinical Chemistry and  
28 Molecular Pathology, which was received by the board office on November 25, 2015. The Credentialing  
29 Committee referred the application to the Full Board because of issues related to his education history. Dr.  
30 Mbah holds a PhD in Environmental Science. The application and supporting documentation were presented to  
31 the Full Board for review and final action.  
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33 **Discussion:**

34 Dr. Mbah explained that he requested to withdraw his application for Molecular Pathology, and wished to only  
35 pursue Clinical Chemistry.  
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37 The board agreed that Dr. Mbah met the requirements for licensure in Clinical Chemistry. The board office  
38 explained that if Dr. Mbah wished to add Molecular Pathology in the future, he would need to take the national  
39 certification examination for the specialty and then submit an application to add the specialty.  
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41 **Action Taken:** Motion to approve the application for licensure was made by Ms. Van Siclen. Seconded by Dr.  
42 Morgan.

43 Vote: 5 yeas / 0 opposed; motion carried  
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45 **k. Lindsey Helen McKendree - Supervisor**

46 Ms. McKendree was present and was not represented by counsel.  
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48 Ms. McKendree submitted an application for licensure as a Supervisor in the specialty area of  
49 Immunohematology, which was received by the board office on October 23, 2015. The Credentialing  
50 Committee referred the application to the Full Board because Ms. McKendree did not appear to have all 24  
51 academic science hours required by Rule 64B3-5.002, F.A.C. The application and supporting documentation  
52 were presented to the Full Board for review and final action.  
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54 **Discussion:**

55 Ms. Van Siclen explained that courses beginning with the prefix "VET" do not count towards the required  
56 academic science hours. She then offered Ms. McKendree the option to withdraw her application for licensure

1 so that a denial would not appear on her licensure history. Ms. McKendree requested to withdraw her  
2 application.

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4 CVS: Motion to accept, MM second, unanimous

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6 **Action Taken:** Motion allow withdrawal of the application for licensure was made by Ms. Van Siclen.  
7 Seconded by Dr. Morgan.

8 Vote: 5 yeas / 0 opposed; motion carried  
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10 **Section IV ended 11:22 a.m.**

11 **Section V started at 11:22 a.m.**

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13 **V. RATIFICATION**

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15 **a. Licensure –**

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17 **i. Clinical Laboratory Personnel**

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19 **Action taken:** Motion to ratify the issuance of Clinical Laboratory Personnel numbers 47556 through  
20 47681 was made by Dr. Morgan. Seconded by Ms. Van Siclen.

21 Vote: 5 yeas / 0 opposed; motion carried  
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23 **ii. Clinical Laboratory Personnel Trainees**

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25 **Action taken:** Motion to ratify the issuance of Clinical Laboratory Personnel Trainee license numbers  
26 10860 through 10942 was made by Ms. Van Siclen. Seconded by Dr. Montoya.

27 Vote: 5 yeas / 0 opposed; motion carried  
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29 **iii. Clinical Laboratory Personnel Training Program**

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31 **Action taken:** Motion to ratify the issuance of Clinical Laboratory Personnel Training Program license  
32 number 296 was made by Mr. Shelfer. Seconded by Ms. Valdes.

33 Vote: 5 yeas / 0 opposed; motion carried  
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35 **b. Continuing Education –**

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37 **i. CE Providers and Courses Approved by CE Committee Chair**

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39 **Action taken:** Motion to ratify CE Providers and Courses Approved by CE Committee Chair was made by  
40 Mr. Shelfer. Seconded by Dr. Montoya.

41 Vote: 5 yeas / 0 opposed; motion carried  
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43 **Section V ended 11:26 a.m.**

44 **Section VI started at 11:26 a.m.**

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46 **VI. PROSECUTION REPORT:**

47 Dr. Spivey presented report found in agenda.  
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49 **Section VI ended at 11:28 a.m.**

50 **Section VII started at 11:28 a.m.**

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52 **VII. BOARD COUNSEL REPORT:**

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54 **a. Rules Status – December 2015:**

55 Ms. Guillemette presented the rules report that was included in the agenda materials  
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1           **b. Applications and Updated Incorporation Dates**

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3           **i. Rule 64B3-3.001, F.A.C. – General Requirements of Clinical Laboratory Personnel Training**  
4           **Programs**

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6           After discussion, the board asked the board office to further revise this application and present to the board  
7           at a later date.

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9           **ii. Rule 64B3-6.001, F.A.C. – Manner of Application**

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11           **Action Taken:** Motion to approve the revised application and incorporate it by rule was made by Ms. Van  
12           Siclen. Seconded by Dr. Montoya.

13           Vote: 5 yeas / 0 opposed; motion carried

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15           **Action Taken:** Motion to find that the proposed rule amendment will not have an adverse impact on small  
16           business; nor be likely to directly or indirectly increase regulatory costs in excess of \$200,000 in the  
17           aggregate in Florida within 1 year; nor be likely to increase regulatory costs, including any transactional  
18           costs, in excess of \$ 1 million in the aggregate within 5 years after the implementation of the rule was made  
19           by Dr. Morgan. Seconded by Ms. Valdes.

20           Vote: 5 yeas / 0 opposed; motion carried

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22           **iii. Rule 64B3-4.001, F.A.C. – Trainee Registration**

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24           **Action Taken:** Motion to approve the revised application and incorporate it by rule was made by Ms. Van  
25           Siclen. Seconded by Dr. Montoya.

26           Vote: 5 yeas / 0 opposed; motion carried

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28           **Action Taken:** Motion to find that the proposed rule amendment will not have an adverse impact on small  
29           business; nor be likely to directly or indirectly increase regulatory costs in excess of \$200,000 in the  
30           aggregate in Florida within 1 year; nor be likely to increase regulatory costs, including any transactional  
31           costs, in excess of \$ 1 million in the aggregate within 5 years after the implementation of the rule was made  
32           by Ms. Van Siclen. Seconded by Mr. Shelfer.

33           Vote: 5 yeas / 0 opposed; motion carried

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35           Section VII ended 11:49 a.m.

36           Section VIII started 11:49 a.m.

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38           **VIII. CHAIR/VICE CHAIR REPORT:**

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40           **a. Licensee Summary:** Ms. Van Siclen presented and discussed the licensee summary provided by the board  
41           office in the agenda materials.

42           **b. Future Agenda Items:** Ms. Van Siclen reiterated the board’s desire to further discuss Rule 64B3-11.003,  
43           F.A.C. and the incorporated application. She also stated that she would like to open discussion of the required 2  
44           hours of medical errors to further clarify the means by which a licensee could obtain the hours.

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46           Section VIII ended 11:53 a.m.

47           Section IX started 11:53 a.m.

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49           **IX. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT:**

50           Dr. Spivey had nothing to report.

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52           Section X ended at 11:53 a.m.

53           Section XI began at 11:53 a.m.

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55           **X. PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

56           There were no public comments.

1 **Section X ended at 11:54 a.m.**  
2 **Section XI began at 11:54 a.m.**

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4 **XI. OLD BUSINESS:**  
5 No old business.

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7 **Section XI ended at 11:54 a.m.**  
8 **Section XII began at 11:54 a.m.**

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10 **XII. NEW BUSINESS:**  
11 The board briefly discussed the degree requirements for licensure.

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13 **Section XII ended at 12:02 p.m.**  
14 **Section XIII began at 12:02 a.m.**

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16 **XIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

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18 **a. Budget – Dr. Morgan:**

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20 **i. Budget Report**

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22 **1. Cash Balance Report for 3 Months Ending September 30, 2015**

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24 **2. Total Expenditures (Direct and Allocated) for 3 Months Ending September 30, 2015**

25 Dr. Morgan directed the board’s attention to the budget reports found in the agenda materials.

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27 **b. Continuing Education – Ms. Valdes:** Nothing to report

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29 **c. Credentials – Ms. Van Siclen/Ms. Valdes:** Nothing to report

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31 **d. Disciplinary Compliance – Dr. Montoya:** Nothing to report

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33 **e. Examinations – Dr. Montoya:** Nothing to report

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35 **f. Healthiest Weight – Ms. Valdes:** Nothing to report

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37 **g. Legislation – Dr. Montoya:** Nothing to report

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39 **h. Probable Cause - Dr. Morgan:**

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41 **i. Stats:** Dr. Morgan directed the board’s attention to the Probable Cause statistics report found in the agenda materials.

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44 **i. Professional Associations – Mr. Shelfer:** Nothing to report

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46 **j. Rules – Ms. Van Siclen:** Nothing to report

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48 **k. Training Program – Mr. Shelfer:** Nothing to report

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50 **l. Unlicensed Activity – Ms. Valdes:** Nothing to report

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52 **Section XIII ended at 12:06 p.m.**  
53 **Section XIV began at 12:06 p.m.**

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55 **XIV. NEXT MEETING DATE – March 4, 2016 – Orlando**  
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**Section XIV ended at 12:06 p.m.**

**Section XV began at 12:06 p.m.**

**XV. ADJOURNMENT**

**The meeting was adjourned at 12:07 p.m.**